

Friends,

AS A REMINDER: On Wednesday, 4/15 at noon at Rochester City Hall, I will host **a public hearing with Fairpoint executives** about NH consumer service levels, with representatives from the Attorney General's office and Public Utilities Commission. This is open to the public to attend and/or speak. Please reply to this email if you need any further details.

At our meeting last week, the Council also approved 69+ items, including several impacting regions I represent:

IN CENTRAL NH: Renewed a contract for the seniors farmers market nutrition program with Belknap-Merrimack Community Action Program; and for local Women, Infants, and Children supplemental food and breastfeeding peer counseling.

IN THE MONADNOCK REGION: Local Women, Infants and Children supplemental food and breastfeeding peer counseling; a grant for the Falls Brook Restoration project in Swanzey; a grant for a base station radio in the Emergency Operations Center in the town of Lempster; and federally-funded contracts for archaeological firms, including Monadnock Archaeological Consulting of Stoddard, to be on-call to undertake investigations as they emerge in other construction projects.

IN STRAFFORD CO: Local Women, Infants and Children supplemental food and breastfeeding peer counseling.

STATEWIDE: Tabled until a future meeting (at my request) a potential donation from a French trade region to bring NH wine buyers to France in June to meet with suppliers at a major international wine expo; coordination of a series of public health emergency training scenarios; enhancements to online Medicaid data; extending deadlines to implement the Controlled Drug Prescription Health & Safety Program; and accepted a federal grant for advancing wellness education.

APPOINTMENTS: For a vote at our next meeting, Governor Hassan nominated Vicki Quiram as the new Commissioner of Administrative Services; Kevin O'Brien as Assistant Commissioner of Safety; and 9 others (full list below).

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, 4/22 in Concord at 10am; as always, let me know if you have any questions or feedback.

Sincerely,  
Colin  
Executive Councilor, District 2

[FULL 4/8 AGENDA](#)  
(or follow the links below for documentation of each item)

*FULL INFORMATION*

## **1. DETAIL: CENTRAL NH**

[#21](#) Authorized a renewal option and amend a contract with Community Action Program of Belknap and Merrimack Counties Inc., Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 8-14-13, item #37), to provide nutritious fruits and vegetables benefits to low-income seniors

participating in the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program, by increasing the price by \$273,984 from \$173,810 to \$447,794, and by extending the completion date from September 30, 2015 to September 30, 2017. **100% Federal Funds.**

[#25](#) Authorized a renewal option and to amend four contracts with vendors as detailed in letter dated February 17, 2015, (originally approved by G&C on 5-15-13, item #'s 47, 48, and 49), to provide statewide Women, Infants and Children, Commodity Supplemental Food Program, and Breastfeeding Peer Counseling program services to low income women, children, and seniors, by increasing the price by \$6,555,737 from \$6,649,815 to \$13,205,552, and by extending the completion date from June 30, 2015 to June 30, 2017. **100% Federal Funds.**

## **2. DETAIL: MONADNOCK REGION**

[#25](#) Authorized a renewal option and to amend four contracts with vendors as detailed in letter dated February 17, 2015, (originally approved by G&C on 5-15-13, item #'s 47, 48, and 49), to provide statewide Women, Infants and Children, Commodity Supplemental Food Program, and Breastfeeding Peer Counseling program services to low income women, children, and seniors, by increasing the price by \$6,555,737 from \$6,649,815 to \$13,205,552, and by extending the completion date from June 30, 2015 to June 30, 2017. **100% Federal Funds.**

[#45](#) Authorized to enter into a grant with Cheshire County Conservation District, Walpole, NH, in the amount of \$16,340 for the *Falls Brook Restoration Project*, in the town of Swanze, Cheshire County. Effective upon G&C approval through April 30, 2017. **100% Other Funds State Conservation Committee.**

[#63](#) Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to enter into a grant agreement with the Town of Lempster for the purchase of a base station radio for the Emergency Operations Center for a total amount of \$3,714. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2015. **100% Federal Funds.**

## **3. DETAIL: STRAFFORD COUNTY**

[#25](#) Authorized a renewal option and to amend four contracts with vendors as detailed in letter dated February 17, 2015, (originally approved by G&C on 5-15-13, item #'s 47, 48, and 49), to provide statewide Women, Infants and Children, Commodity Supplemental Food Program, and Breastfeeding Peer Counseling program services to low income women, children, and seniors, by increasing the price by \$6,555,737 from \$6,649,815 to \$13,205,552, and by extending the completion date from June 30, 2015 to June 30, 2017. **100% Federal Funds.**

[#35](#) Authorized the Bureau of Environment to enter into two pre-qualified, low bid, cost-based contracts for a combined total of \$450,000 with the firms: (1) Monadnock Archaeological Consulting LLC, Stoddard, NH, for \$240,000 and (2) Northeast Archaeology Research Center Inc., for \$210,000 to undertake certain cultural resource investigations involving Pre-Contact, Native American archaeological studies for transportation purposes. Effective upon G&C approval through April 30, 2018.

[#36](#) Authorized the Bureau of Environment to enter into two pre-qualified, low bid, cost-based contracts for a combined total of \$450,000 with the firms: (1) Monadnock Archaeological Consulting LLC, Stoddard, NH, for \$240,000 and (2) Hartgen Archaeological

Associates Inc., Rensselaer, NY., for \$210,000 to undertake certain cultural resource investigations involving Pre-Contact, Native American archaeological studies for transportation purposes. Effective upon G&C approval through April 30, 2018.

#### **4. STATEWIDE PROJECTS AND POLICIES**

[#B.](#) Authorized to accept a donation from the Languedoc Sud de France, in the amount of \$2,750 for hotel accommodations, meals and transfers in Bordeaux, France for one Liquor Commission employee to attend the 2015 Vinexpo Wine Exhibition in Bordeaux, France from June 13-20, 2015.

[#5](#) Authorized to enter into an agreement with the Olson Group Ltd., Alexandria, VA, to facilitate and coordinate a series of scenario-based public health emergency exercises with a price limitation of \$701,275. Effective upon G&C approval through January 31, 2019. **100% Federal Funds.**

[#14](#) Authorized to amend an existing **sole source** contract with Deloitte Consulting LLP., Harrisburg, PA, (originally approved by G&C on 10-3-12, item #36), to enhance the security of Medicaid data within the integrated eligibility domain, by increasing the price by \$4,368,000 from \$50,224,543.33 to an amount not to exceed \$54,592,543.33. Effective upon G&C approval through the original completion date of September 30, 2016. **90% Federal, 10% General Funds.**

[#55](#) Authorized to **retroactively** amend item #36, originally approved by G&C on February 28, 2014, by extending the end dates from March 31, 2015 to June 30, 2015 to complete the implementation of the Controlled Drug Prescription Health and Safety Program. No Additional Funds. (2) Further Authorized to **retroactively** amend the request to establish a temporary full-time position, Class 059, Administrator I, Labor Grade 27 (originally approved by G&C on 2-28-14, item #36), by extending the end date from March 31, 2015 to June 30, 2015. (3) Further Authorized to **retroactively** further amend the request to extend the temporary part-time position, Class 50, Administrator I, Labor Grade 27, (originally approved by G&C on 2-28-14, item #36) from March 31, 2015 through June 30, 2015. **100% Transfer from other State agency. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 3, 2015.**

[#57](#) Authorized to accept and expend the NH "Now Is The Time" Project Advancing Wellness and Resilience in Education Grant funds in the amount of \$1,949,991 from the US Department of Health and Human Services. The balance of the \$9,749,959 grant which is \$7,799,968 will be incorporated into the next two biennial budgets. (2) Further Authorized to establish full-time positions as detailed in letter dated January 12, 2015. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2015. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 3, 2015.**

#### **5. DETAIL: APPOINTMENTS AND NOMINATIONS**

( \* = District 2 Resident)

***New Nominations by Governor Hassan:***

**Major, NH Air National Guard**

Natalie Jean Friedenthal, Concord, NH\*

**Commissioner of the Department of Administrative Services**

Vicki V. Quiram, Bedford, NH

**State Conservation Committee**

Earle Chase, Center Barnstead, NH \*

**Director of the Division of Waste Management at the Department of Environmental Services**

Michael J. Wimsatt, Concord, NH \*

**Medical Review Subcommittee**

Colin O'Brien, Amherst, NH

**Board of Medicine**

Michael Barr, Nashua, NH

**Advisory Board on Private Investigative Agencies and Security Services**

Quentin R. Estey, Peterborough, NH

**Assistant Commissioner of the Department of Safety**

Kevin P. O'Brien, Concord, NH \*

**Volunteer New Hampshire Board of Directors**

Clare J. Chapman, Shelburne Falls, MA

Christine Williams, Bedford, NH

***Confirmed by the Council:***

Garrett G. Miller, Hampton, NH to the Aviation Users Advisory Board

Richard L. Cram, Gilford, NH to the Family Mediator Certification Board

Joseph M. Wichert, Manchester, NH to the Board of Land Surveyors

Ruth B. Ward, Stoddard, NH to the Rivers Management Advisory Committee \*

William J. Cass, Laconia, NH to the Assistant Commissioner of the Department of Transportation

Anthony Andre Belanger, Tilton, NH to the Waste Management Council

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